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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF THREE DETAINEES TO SUDAN

REF: A. A) STATE 44358

1B. B) 07 STATE 152279
1C. C) 07 KHARTOUM 1783

Classified By: CDA Alberto M. Fernandez for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

- 11. (S) CDA Fernandez briefed MFA Under-Secretary Mutriff Siddiq on April 27 of the contents of reftel A. RAO briefed Sudanese Intelligence (NISS) at the same time. DLO has provided flight information to appropriate MOD authorities and to MFA in a diplomatic note (without specifying the nature of the cargo).
- 12. (S) Siddiq, a former intelligence officer, confirmed that the same level of humane treatment, security and access assurances previously provided by the GOS with respect to earlier GTMO transferees, will apply to this latest group as previously was negotiated with the Embassy and confirmed more recently with visiting State/DOD team. He agreed that this information should be treated in a sensitive and confidential manner prior to the completion of the transfer but added that leaks could come from the lawyers retained by some of these detainees, as has sometimes happened in the past.
- 13. (S) Siddiq confirmed the permission for the refueling of the plane after landing in Sudan and transferring the detainees to Sudanese custody and control. FERNANDEZ